

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>MICHIGAN DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT BOARD MEETING MINUTES September 16, 2016</b></p>
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**\*\*\* Approved \*\*\***

**Members Present:**

Dr. Cris Sullivan, Chair  
Yvonne Brantley  
Jeffrie Cape  
James Fink  
Jacqueline Schafer

**Members Absent:**

Hon. Elizabeth Pollard Hines

**Staff Present:**

Debi Cain, Executive Director  
Michael Bobbitt, Board Secretary  
Michelle Bynum  
Celestine Colton  
Carol Hackett Garagiola  
Gail Krieger  
Mary Lovik  
Joyce Wright

**WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Chair C. Sullivan convened the September 16, 2016 Michigan Domestic and Sexual Violence Prevention and Treatment Board meeting at the South Grand Building – Rooms 1K and 1L in Lansing, Michigan at 2:12 p.m.

**BOARD CONSENT**

Review of agenda and approval of June 3, 2016 meeting minutes.

**MOTION: Moved by J. Schafer to approve the September 16, 2016 agenda and to approve the June 3, 2016, meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Y. Brantley. Motion carried.**

**CHAIR'S REPORT**

C. Sullivan thanked everyone for agreeing to reschedule the Board meeting date to September 16, 2016 so D. Cain could attend a National Sexual Assault Policy Symposium in Washington, D.C.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT – GENERAL OVERVIEW OF WORK TO DATE**

D. Cain reported on recent awards from the Family Justice and Rural Grant Programs.

The Family Justice Grant Program has revised and replaced the Safe Havens: Supervised Visitation and Safe Exchange Grant Program. Funds from this program will continue support for supervised visitation services at the Grand Rapids YWCA, Ann Arbor Catholic Social Services and the Saginaw Underground Railroad. It will also support a pilot training curriculum written by David Mandel for Friend of the Court staff. T.Martinez was instrumental in preparing the proposal for this grant program.

Rural grant funding will support domestic violence service programs in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, providing \$60,000 over the course of three years to each program.

G. Krieger reported on two summits that will be held at the end of September.

Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy's office is hosting a three-day Sexual Assault Kit summit in Detroit, Michigan on September 25 – 28, 2016. Approximately 300 people representing more than 20 states have registered to attend.

The First Lady of Michigan has organized a Let's End Sexual Assault on Campus summit on September 30, 2016 at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Dr. Jackson Katz will speak about sexual assault prevention, Dr. Victoria Banyard will present a keynote address and workshop addressing bystanders and Dr. Keith Edwards will present on sexual violence in higher education settings. About 400-500 participants are expected to attend, as well as the Governor and First Lady.

M. Bynum reported on the development of the 2017-2019 MDSVPT STOP Implementation Plan, which must be submitted to the federal Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) every 3 years. The final STOP Plan will be presented to the Board for approval at the November 18, 2016 meeting. Upon approval, the STOP Plan will be submitted to OVW with the 2017 STOP application.

The 2017 – 2019 STOP Plan reflects a change to the laws governing administration of the 5% court set-aside, which now must be provided "to" courts, rather than "for" courts. Under the 2017-2019 plan, MDSVPTB will expend the 5% set aside to support a domestic violence docket in the 36<sup>th</sup> District Court. The plan also describes a simplified bid process to encourage organizations focused on underserved populations to apply.

Development of the STOP Plan involved meetings and consultation over the past 1-2 years with various stakeholder groups, including the directors of MDSVPTB-funded agencies, the Michigan Coalition to End Domestic & Sexual Violence, the Tribal Coalition, and various organizations focused on meeting the needs of underserved populations.

## **LEGISLATIVE REVIEW**

M. Lovik reported on a Sept. 14 presentation on parental alienation to the House Committee on Families, Children and Seniors. Prof. Dan Saunders from the University of Michigan School of Social Work plans to attend the November 18, 2016 Board meeting to provide the Board with information on this subject.

M. Lovik reported on SB 1033, which would create a bill of rights for homeless people.

**MOTION: Moved by J. Cape that if the bill moves, staff may raise concerns about the right to a reasonable expectation of privacy in personal property in federally-funded shelters or transitional housing. Motion seconded by Y. Brantley. Motion carried.**

Board members acknowledged that they had an opportunity to review other bills of interest to the Board's constituency that had been introduced since the Board's June 3, 2016 meeting.

#### **BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS**

J. Fink reported that Susan McGee died recently. Susan served as Executive Director of Safe House in Ann Arbor for many years; her service to survivors helped save lives.

J. Cape reported on the BISCMI Annual Conference will be held in Dearborn on November 2-4, 2016. Dr. Jackson Katz is among the presenters who will speak at the conference.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No comments.

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOTION: Moved by Y. Brantley to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by J. Cape. Motion carried. The meeting ended at 3:45 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Michael Bobbitt